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MORE RULES GOVERNING THE FLOUR SITUATION

In last week's issue of the Courier, I gave the regulations and rules in regard to the return of flour, as was given me by the Food Administration. I found that they were impracticable as to our county. Some had bought flour at Nashville, Louisville, etc., paying from \$10.50 to \$15 per barrel, so we could not deliver it back to the ones we purchased from, and it would be unjust for the retailer to pay some \$10.50 and others \$16.00. I took the matter up with the Food Department and they agreed to let the retailers take up the flour at actual cost of delivering the same grade in their stores. For instance, flour cost \$12 in Nashville, freight 30 cents and drayage 10 cents, would be \$12.40 they would pay the farmer, and the farmer could carry his flour to any retailer, and the retailer was asked, not as he is compelled to but as a patriotic duty, to take up the flour and pay for it what the same grade would cost placed in his store. I found that in some parts of the county there was more flour than the merchants could handle, so I again took the matter up with the Department and they have agreed to let the farmer set aside his half barrel and store the other away, subject to my orders, and all those having more than a half barrel must report to me the amount they have on hand, above their allotment, on the following blank:

To The County Food Administrator, Dear Sir:-
This is to advise you that I have on hand, above allotment, one-half barrel of pounds of flour. I did not obtain this flour for the purpose of hoarding and I will keep the same subject to your orders. Bought Exchanged Ground Indicate which by X mark.

Name _____
Address _____
They further agreed that when if the holder of the flour should use up his one-half barrel, under the restrictions, that is if he complies with the food regulations, by using the proper amount of substitutes, and following the "Home or Kitchen Card" regulations, and agreeing to still use the proper substitutes that I might permit him to take out another one-half barrel and use.

Under these regulations, I hope to save the farmers a great deal of trouble, for if they carry out the regulations, they can still use their own flour, provided the Administration does not call for it, without expense of delivering their flour back and paying the retailer an additional profit.

I feel that this will be much more satisfactory to the farmer as it will save his time, etc. and let him stay at home and work to make more.

The farmer who has wheat can take it to the mills and exchange or have it ground, but cannot get but one-half barrel at a time under any circumstances.

No person under any circumstances, can keep for his own use more than one-half barrel, it makes no difference where, when or how he obtained it.

I trust that every one will comply readily and without murmuring, with these regulations. They are not my orders but orders of "Uncle Sam" and the penalty is very heavy. I have refrained from starting the penalty as I feel that no true American would want to carry out the regulation under fear of the penalty, but all are willing to do it as a patriotic duty. I would feel disgraced if it took a penalty to force me, under the present conditions to obey my

Farm News Department

Mr. J. M. Cox, our public spirited Circuit Court Clerk, has shown his liberality and interest in better farming by giving a subscription to The Country Gentleman, a splendid farm journal, to each of the boys of the Dixon Springs Corn Club. Mr. Cox is doing a great service to the farmers of this country by giving them more than a hundred subscriptions to the Country Gentleman.

Farmers were taking advantage of the pretty weather last week to finish gathering the corn crop of last year. Many of the hill farmers were plowing last week, and many smokes from the burning tobacco seed beds could be seen.

Prof. I. E. Gillenwater, of the High school at Carthage took his Agriculture Class to a grape pruning demonstration held by Mr. Galloway, Demonstration Agent, at Mr. W. K. Webb's.

For a short time only, we will give 2 pound coffee FREE with each dollar's purchase of our fine grade 30-cent coffee.

McClellan Merc. Co.

For Sale.

One mule 8 years old; one horse mule 3 years old; one family horse 7 years old; one work horse 5 years old; two colts; a lot of farming tools and implements. Will sell on time with good note.

W. T. HAYNIE,

2-14-3t. Riddleton, Tenn.
If you need work mules attend W. E. Myer's auction sale Saturday, Feb. 23.

government.

I am your friend and have tried to obtain all favors for you that is possible, and have given practically all my time and expenses. I am not paid anything for my work not even expenses, and I hope that I have made things plain so that you can follow the instruction without calling me, as I have been so busy the last ten days answering the telephone that I have not had time to do scarcely anything else. However, if you do not understand, call me.

I want to repeat that any person who is not willing to make the little sacrifice the government is asking, is not worthy to be called a true American Citizen. It is so insignificant compared with what our soldier boys are doing and going through with, it is a shame for any one to make even the least excuse or pass the least criticism.

Please fill out the above blank or copy the same and return to me at once. I want to caution you to be honest about this matter as the penalty is severe and it is not my desire that any one will have to be dealt with by the authorities.

To those who have already complied with the law by carrying back to the market their excess of flour: I am advised by Mr. Morgan, state food administrator, that the farmers who had their own wheat ground or exchanged may take the flour back by complying with the above instructions, reporting to me the amount, etc. But those who purchased the flour will not be permitted to take the same back. The above new orders are made solely to protect the retailers as there is more flour being turned in at present than they can handle, and those keeping or taking back the flour are likely to be called upon to give it up at any time.

Yours truly,

J. R. CURTIS.

Methodist Church Services

Preaching at Olivet Sunday morning, Feb. 24, and at Riddleton at 3 o'clock.

Prayer meeting at Carthage Friday evening at 6:45.

The revival at Carthage is expected to commence last Sunday in March. The pastor will probably be assisted by Rev. John C. Patty of Morristown, evangelist of the Holston conference.

Red Cross Names.

The names of all those who have joined the Smith County Red Cross organization will be published in the Courier next week. If you have not yet joined and you want your name to appear with the others, send your name with the membership fee of \$1 to Mrs. Nelson Fisher at Carthage.

On account of unavoidable delays we were unable to print the names this week, but same will be published later.



Which way are you going? Are you saving or are you

Running Behind?

You can't begin to go forward financially until you learn to save your money.
An account at this bank is a long step

Forward.



Call on H. B. Cox,

Dixon Springs, Tenn. For

SEED OATS, [Burt and Black] CLOVER and MILLET SEED

See my large stock of General Merchandise and get my prices before buying elsewhere. I can furnish you and the prices are right.

Your patronage respectfully solicited

H. B. COX,

Dixon Springs,

Tennessee.

MULES At Auction

On Saturday, Feb. 23, at 1 p. m., at my barn on my farm at Carthage, I will sell at auction 35 three-year-old Tennessee mules. TERMS: Cash or on 12 months time, note with good security bearing 6 per cent interest from date.

W. E. MYER

FARMERS INSTITUTE WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, MARCH 2

The next session of the Smith County Farmers Institute will be held in Carthage, Saturday, March 2.

W. B. Ford will be present and make a talk on the plans of holding wool sales on the loose leaf floor. This is a matter that should interest all wool growers, and you are urged to be present and assist in forming plans to secure the highest prices for wool.

The subject of silos and their construction will be discussed by H. T. Moss, L. H. Gwaltney and Powell Carpenter. Matters concerning breeders will also be discussed and every breeder of registered stock in the county should attend this meeting.

Hon. H. K. Bryson, state secretary of agriculture, will attend the meeting and of course we are all anxious to hear what he has to say. Don't miss this meeting.

J. C. NICHOLS, President.
R. JELLICORSE, Secretary.

Get my prices on General Merchandise before buying elsewhere. H. B. COX, Dixon Springs.

Spring Millinery

Mrs. Anderson is in Nashville selecting our Spring Millinery. We will have a choice and up-to-date line this season, and we want you to see them before you buy elsewhere.

Miss Jimmie Ferrell is in charge of our dry goods and notion department, and all orders, by mail or otherwise, will have our prompt and careful attention. Give us a call.

R. W. ANDERSON, Lancaster, Tenn.

For Burt and Black Seed Oats, call on H. B. Cox, Dixon Springs.

Notice

Any person or persons engaging the manual services of Elbert Buck, colored, during the year 1918 are hereby warned that I will hold them liable for any and all damages done me by so employing the said Buck during the time stated.

This Feb. 21, 1918.
M. COOPER, Chestnut Midd. Tenn.

Call on H. B. Cox at Dixon Springs for Millet Seed.

Stock for Sale

I have two Black Jacks with white points and one good Saddle Horse for sale. For further information, call phone No. 19-3, or see me at New Middleton W. F. BARRETT.

For Sale

Four aged mares, work any where, one 2-year-old horse colt and one 1-year-old filly colt for sale. MARGIE POPE, R. 2, Carthage, Tenn.

For a short time only, we will give 1 pound coffee FREE with each dollar's purchase of our fine grade 30-cent coffee. McClellan Merc. Co.

Cabbage Plants

Beginning next week, I will have on hand a supply of frost-proof cabbage plants. Get them early. Cumb. phone 25-w. M. Y. BEASLEY, Carthage

For Sale Cheap

One Ford Touring Car for sale. It has been used one year and is in good running order. Call or write M. F. HIGH, Carthage, Tenn.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BECOMES A STATE BANK

The First State Bank is the name of the new banking institution for Carthage. The First State Bank was recently organized under the banking laws of the state of Tennessee and, beginning with today, Feb. 21, succeeds and assumes all the assets and liabilities of the First National Bank of Carthage. In other words, the First National Bank has been changed from the national to the state banking system.

But little change in the management of the institution follows its re-organization. Roy M. Ligon, who served as assistant cashier of the National Bank under Lee Duke, has been elected cashier under the re-organization, while Mr. Duke will retain his active connection with the bank as vice president. The officers of the First State Bank are W. B. Ford, president; Lee Duke, vice president; Roy M. Ligon, cashier. The directors are W. B. Ford, Lee Duke, H. B. McGinness and J. H. Gardenhire.

The change of the bank from a national to a state system was brought about on account of the splendid conditions under which Tennessee banks are permitted to transact business under the banking laws. This institution, under its re-organization, is in a position to render much better service to its customers.

The First National Bank was organized 12 years ago and has done a large volume of business during that time, but its growth, no doubt, will be much larger under the re-organization. Mr. Ligon, who has been selected as cashier, is one of Smith county's most efficient young business men and is well informed concerning the proper handling of a banking institution. The other officers and directors are also well and favorably known and their connection adds strength to the institution.

The bank has added a Burroughs ledger posting machine to its equipment. It is of the newest and very latest models and aids materially in rendering prompt and efficient service.

The First State Bank is doing business at the same old stand of the First National Bank, and the officers and directors ask their many customers for their continued patronage and respectfully solicits new accounts, promising to render at all times every possible courtesy consistent with conservative, sound and safe banking.

Until new checks can be furnished, please use the old checks by striking out National and inserting State.

Clover Seed for sale by H. B. Cox, Dixon Springs.

Comfort Kit Fund

Contributions as follows have been received:

1st district	\$ 5.25
3rd district	8.00
5th district	12.00
10th district	11.00
11th district	19.05
14th district	31.85

Some of the above districts have heretofore given very liberally, and will give more now, to this fund; so don't conclude that your district is giving more than its part. It is to be hoped that reports from other districts can be made next week.

MRS. W. V. LEE, Chairman Comfort Kit Fund.

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